FISCAL NOTE

HB 756 - SB 683

March 6, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- allows county election commissions to establish a centrally located polling
 place for voters whose registration is inactive or whose registration has been
 transferred. The election official at such polling place would notify the voter
 that he/she has the choice to vote at either the centrally located place or the
 new polling place. If the central location is other than the county election
 commission office, then the site would be equipped with computers linked to
 the county election commission office to allow voters' records to be changed.
- requires any person trying to receive a party nomination or be elected by writein ballot to complete a notice requesting that such ballots be counted in each
 county of the district no later than 20 days before the primary election or the
 general election. The person would only have votes counted in counties where
 the notice was completed and timely filed. Write-in candidates for the offices
 of Governor, United States Senate, United States House of Representatives
 would be required to file their notice with the State Coordinator of Elections.
- eliminates the variation of the voting place boundary distance by requiring all counties to have a voting place boundary of 100 feet from the entrances to the building in which the election is to be held.
- removes the requirement that the election commission give notice when a person's permanent registration records are to be purged.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant/Permissive

Estimate assumes:

- The county election commission office will be the centrally located polling place.
- All county election commission offices already have a centralized voter registration database.
- Some counties will be required to hire 3 or 4 additional election day workers with average pay of approximately \$50. Therefore, any increase in local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant since only a few counties are expected to require additional workers.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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